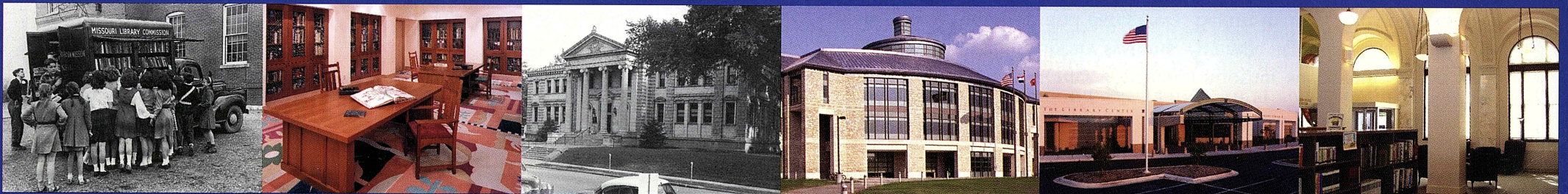


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Missouri State Library Calendar and Annual Report

Matt Blunt — Office of the Secretary of State



Missouri State Library: FY2001 Annual Report

The State Library promotes the acquisition, dissemination, and preservation of knowledge for the citizens of Missouri. Its activities during Fiscal Year 2001 (July 1, 2000-June 30, 2001) reflected a continuing commitment by staff to work toward meeting the goals stated in *Charting Missouri's Library Future into the New Century*.

Progress on long-range plan

The State Library issued a 52-page publication in the spring that serves as a mid-term report on *Charting Missouri's Library Future into the New Century*, the state's long-range plan for library services. The new report describes what has been accomplished statewide to meet the goals outlined in 1997. It covers access to information, improving current library services, cooperation between libraries and their partners, leadership, library training, funding, and project evaluation. The report is available in print and on the Web at <http://mosl.sos.state.mo.us/lib-ser/charting.pdf>.

Secretary's Council reviews library programs and policies

The Secretary's Council on Library Development met quarterly during the fiscal year to discuss the use of federal library funds, set policies and guidelines for grants, and approve plans for the State Library's major programs and the distribution of state funds earmarked for libraries. The council takes an active role in assessing the funding of new library programs in the state.

Secretary of State Matt Blunt appointed 10 new members to the council and named Annie Busch as chair. The Secretary's commitment to libraries was in evidence from the beginning and continued throughout the year with his advocacy for increased state aid and technological initiatives in libraries and his promotion of libraries as essential educational institutions in their communities.

Literacy activities

- ✓ *Family Nights at the Library* continued another successful season with 24 programs in eight library systems. Average attendance at each program was 20 children and caregivers. Begun in 1997, this project uses state funding to bring families to their local public libraries for three evenings of education, fun, and free books. The libraries host three sessions which focus on literacy, parenting, or education topics. Participating in the FY01 programs were: Barton County Library, Carrollton Public Library, Hickory County Library, Oregon County Library, River Bluffs Regional Library, Sikeston Public Library, Texas County Library, and Webster Groves Public Library.
- ✓ *Literacy Gatherings*, held in the fall and spring, enabled library staff and local literacy providers to keep current with new developments in the field and to network with other literacy providers. More than 40 people attended the FY01 gatherings.
- ✓ State Library staff maintained partnerships for literacy programming with LIFT-Missouri, Cooperative Extension, Caring Communities, Parents as Teachers, Practical Parenting Partnerships, Success by Six, and Even Start.

Missouri Census Data Center

- The Missouri Census Data Center worked with the statewide Census 2000 Complete Count Committee to finalize committee work, conduct a statewide survey, and prepare a final report assessing Census 2000 operations and activities in Missouri. The report was submitted to the U.S. Census Bureau and will be archived in the state for future reference. For the latest Census 2000 information, check the MCDC website at <http://mcdc.missouri.edu>.
- The center sponsored an annual conference in July, focusing on Census 2000 issues and upcoming products. Two pre-conference training sessions helped participants understand how to use census-related Web tools and how to access and load census files to use with geographic information system software.

Missouri Center for the Book

- ◆ Almost 1,000 Missouri students entered the 2001 Letters About Literature contest, sponsored by the Missouri Center for the Book in cooperation with the Weekly Reader Corporation and the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress. Ten state winners were honored at a special reception in May hosted by First Lady Lori Hauser Holden at the Governor's Mansion.
- ◆ The Fourth Celebration of the Book, held in November, represented a "first" for the center when more than 100 Missouri authors came to Columbia for the Missouri Authors Book Fair. It was the first statewide book fair to focus totally on Missouri authors. The authors met with fans, read from their works, and served on panels where the discussions ranged from biographies and mysteries to sports writing and local history. Missouri's major literary publishers also participated in the book fair. Calvin Trillin, a native of Kansas City and nationally known for his writings, made a special presentation at the Celebration.
- ◆ The center published *Books Change Lives*, a book containing Missouri's winning essays from the Letters About Literature contest over a five-year period.

Continuing education

Delivering quality continuing education programs to library staffs across the state is a key component of the State Library's mission. In FY01, the State Library offered a variety of CE activities open to staff in all types of libraries and to public library trustees.

- ❶ **113 attend summer institute**—Held in August, the institute offers both basic and advanced training for library staff who do not hold graduate library degrees. As the popularity of the institute grows each year, prospective participants have learned they must register early to secure a place in the classes.
- ❷ **Show Me Steps to Career Development**—Library staff and public library trustees can apply for grants through this scholarship program.

Thirty-eight individuals received Show Me grants to attend state, regional, and national conferences and workshops in FY01.

- ❸ **FirstSearch training**—With LSTA funding, the Missouri Library Network Corporation trained 204 library staff representing 109 libraries on the FirstSearch software. Eleven training sessions were held across the state in January and February 2001. FirstSearch provides new opportunities for research, interlibrary loan, and resource sharing.

Missouri begins Gates Library Program

Planning began in earnest during the fiscal year for the Gates Library Program in Missouri. The state will receive a \$6 million grant for public access computers, software, training, and technical support. State Library staff assisted eligible public libraries in completing the program applications and securing community partnerships to fund future equipment purchases. Gates program staff will train Missouri library staff in the fall of 2001, and the libraries will receive their computers from January through July 2002. The grant will also fund seven supplemental training labs across the state.

Expanding access to the state's special collections

The State Library has provided the major impetus and funding for a statewide digitization project, to be coordinated by the Missouri Library Network Corporation. The project not only involves libraries but also museums, historical societies, archives, schools, and scientific organizations. Its goal is to provide vision for digitization projects in Missouri's cultural heritage and scientific information institutions and to facilitate cooperative efforts among the institutions engaged in these projects. Several important steps to reach the project's goals took place in FY01—the appointment of a 13-member digitization planning committee, the first Missouri Digitization Planning Conference, and a survey of special collections and current digitization projects in cultural and scientific organizations in the state.

The planning committee will produce a written plan for coordinating access to current digital collections and providing structure and guidance for future digitization projects.

Missouri's library future remains "under construction"

Throughout the spring, the State Library conducted a series of 20 meetings across the state to find out what library staff and trustees think about funding priorities and where libraries should be heading in the future. The "Under Construction" meetings included small group sessions, meetings with school librarians and groups such as Librarians 911 and the Grand River Library Conference, and large regional meetings.

The participants reviewed the state's long-range plan for library services as well as a "white paper" from the Missouri Public Library Directors group. Analysis of participants' recommendations showed particular interest in four areas: assistance in keeping current with technology, staffing libraries to meet increased demands by users, funding new library buildings or remodeling projects, and regional training for library personnel.

Promoting Missouri libraries

The State Library distributed 2,600 marketing packets to public, academic, special, school, and institutional libraries during the winter. Each packet included posters, bookmarks, electronic clip art, counter cards, a mousepad, and identity standards for use of the statewide library logo. The library logo and other design work for the statewide project were developed by The Vandiver Group, a St. Louis marketing firm.

The State Library also offered regional workshops in fall 2000 as part of the marketing project. "Essential Design Principles for Missouri Library Staff" attracted 130 people who acquired a working knowledge of good design to help them present the best image for their libraries.

Reaching youth with innovative library programs

- ◆ "Turn Over a New Leaf: Read" was one of the state's most popular summer reading programs, with total participation at slightly over 100,000 young people. Library staff used the program's artwork, by David Besenger of the Missouri Department of Conservation, on t-shirts, brochures, certificates, and other reading promotion items.
- ◆ Missouri's first Teen Summer Reading program debuted with the theme "Book Your Summer." The program manual has received kudos from librarians in Missouri and library professionals throughout the U.S. The program artwork, which included a sunburst motif, was created by Danny Dye, Springfield-Greene County Library's graphic artist.
- ◆ "Seeking Solutions: Libraries Committed to Youth at Risk" was the topic of the State Library's youth services conference in November 2000. One hundred and six library staff attended the workshop, which featured sessions on the connection between libraries and successful youth development, customer services to teens, and ways to build coalitions with local youth service agencies.

Wolfner Library expands services

Wolfner Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped served more than 18,000 patrons with talking books and magazines in several formats in FY01. Patrons checked out 568,900 items.

Ninety children and teens participated in Wolfner's summer reading program. For achieving their reading goals, they received prizes donated by the Friends of Wolfner Library.

Wolfner was the first regional library for the blind and physically handicapped to develop a Web-Braille page. Wolfner also started a distribution list on the Web to inform its patrons about library policies and procedures, staff changes, reading lists, and news from the National Library Service.

Wolfner's new volunteer program attracted 79 individuals who worked 1,457 hours during FY01. Volunteers work in the library on a regular basis; they staff library exhibits at the State Fair and promote the service through

local media outlets. A special volunteer project involves recording the Mark Twain Award nominees, the Show Me Award books, and other children's books.

Introduced in 2000, the Newline service has grown to over 700 users. The service provides telephone access to state and national newspapers for blind and visually impaired people.

Citizen access to library materials

Using federal library funds, the State Library has paid for several programs to ensure access to library materials. The statewide license for OCLC's FirstSearch enables Missouri library users to search a database of 50 million library records on the Web and to request materials online through their local libraries. CatExpress helps small libraries upgrade their cataloging records and add those records to the worldwide database maintained by the Online Computer Library Center (OCLC). The State Library also subsidizes some of the annual costs and usage charges for the OCLC interlibrary loan system.

Increased services to state government

The Reference Services Division has moved many of its services to an electronic format including the well-used "Info-to-Go," a current awareness listing of magazine and journal articles on topics of interest to the General Assembly and state government employees. "Keeping Up," a daily newspaper clipping service, is available online to the same audience.

Reference staff also prepared "Legislative Topics" in an electronic format. This Web service offers up-to-date information on topics under consideration by Missouri legislators. Go to <http://mosl.sos.state.mo.us/lib-ser/libref/refser.html> for a look at the latest topics.

Providing reference service to state government is the division's major function, and staff answered almost 5,000 information requests in FY01.

Staff recorded 11,000 visits to the Info-to-Go website, 332 subscribers to the table of contents service, 7,931 pages of "Keeping Up," and 2,320 interlibrary loan requests with a 99% fill rate.

State support for public libraries

State Aid to Public Libraries	\$2,343,341
Equalization payments	938,530
Athlete & entertainer tax fund	915,701
Automation grants	321,473

Federal funding for Missouri libraries

The federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) has two priorities. It funds activities using technology for information sharing between libraries, and between libraries and other community services. It also supports programs making library resources more accessible to urban or rural residents or to those who have difficulty using library services.

With LSTA funds, the State Library develops programs that address the needs of Missourians. It uses LSTA funds to support statewide library services and initiatives and makes sub-grants to libraries.

Basic Equipment (101 grants)	\$1,134,034
Bring in an Expert (9 grants)	21,671
Show Me Steps (38 grants)	18,088
Library Cooperation (16 grants)	352,376
Statewide Reference Service	120,000
FirstSearch	89,262
Interlibrary loan group access	32,971
CatExpress	2,000
Department of Mental Health	24,287
Department of Corrections	40,233
School libraries automation study	37,500

Library building projects since 2000

The following libraries have constructed new buildings or remodeled existing buildings since 2000. Also under way are several major building projects including Daniel Boone Regional Library (Columbia) and River Bluffs Regional Library (St. Joseph area). Kansas City Public Library will move its main library into a historic downtown building, with occupancy scheduled for 2003.

Barton County Library—Golden City & Liberal
Camden County Library, Camdenton
Cape Girardeau Public Library
Covenant Theological Seminary, J. Oliver Buswell Library, St. Louis
David Jones Library, Pierce City
Gentry County Library, Stanberry
Kansas City Public Library, Irene Ruiz Branch
Maryville Public Library
New Madrid County Library, New Madrid Branch
Ozark Regional Library, Steelville & Ste. Genevieve
Polk County Library, Bolivar
Pulaski County Library, Richland
St. Louis Public Library—Walnut Park & Kingshighway branches
Southwest Baptist University, Harriett K. Hutchens Library, Bolivar
Springfield-Greene County Library—Fair Grove & Midtown Carnegie branches
Webster County Library—Fordland & Marshfield

Missouri public library statistics

Total income:	\$146,495,605
Percent of income from local government:	85.80%
Total full-time staff:	2,763, 13% with ALA accredited MLS
Total collection:	23,983,370 in all formats
Total book/serial volumes:	22,727,606
Percentage of collection in electronic format:	0.23%
Registered borrowers:	2,552,981
Library visits:	22,626,181

Total circulation:	38,188,907
Number of reference questions answered:	8,422,963
Number of children's programs:	32,317
93% provide internet access	
Libraries reported 61,484 users of electronic resources in a typical week.	

Secretary's Council on Library Development

Annie Busch, Chair, Springfield	C. Lee Jones, Kansas City
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Rep. Rod Jetton, Marble Hill	

Missouri's Carnegie libraries

City	Date of Grant	City	Date of Grant
Albany	1903	Marshfield	1910
Aurora	1913	Maryville	1903
Bolivar	1913	Mexico	1912
Brookfield	1916	Moberly	1902
Cape Girardeau	1916	Monroe City	1916
Carthage	1902	Nevada	1915
Excelsior Springs	1913	St. Joseph (2 bldgs.)	1901
Fayette	1913	St. Louis (7 bldgs.)	1901
Fulton	1911	Sedalia	1899
Huntsville	1914	Shelbina	1916
Louisiana	1902	Springfield	1901
Marceline	1917	Webb City	1913

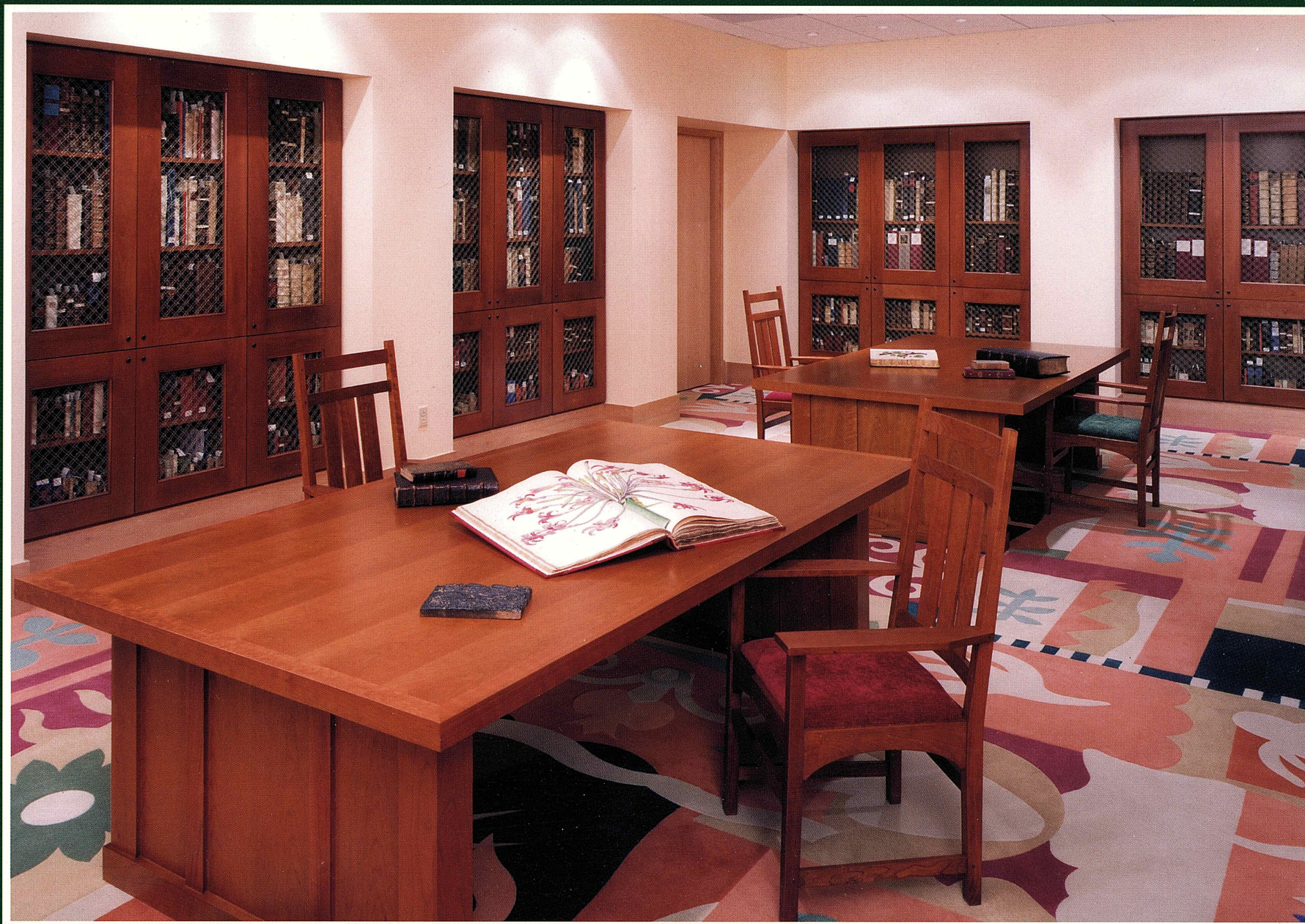


Inman E. Page Library, Lincoln University, Jefferson City

January 2002

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		Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday (Observed)			Special Libraries Association Winter Meeting (through 1/26)		
Missouri's resident population in 2000 was 5,595,211, an increase of 9.3 percent (478,138 persons) since the 1990 census.	27	28	29	30	31	"I have always imagined that paradise will be a kind of library."—Jorge Luis Borges	
			Media Relations for Missouri Libraries Workshop		Media Relations for Missouri Libraries Workshop		



Rare Books Room, Missouri Botanical Garden Library, St. Louis

February 2002

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<p><i>Black History Month</i></p> <p>3</p> <p>10</p> <p>17</p> <p>24</p> <p><i>"You don't have to burn books to destroy a culture. Just get people to stop reading them." —Ray Bradbury</i></p>						1 <i>Media Relations for Missouri Libraries Workshop</i>	2
		4	5 <i>Missouri Library Legislative Day</i>	6 <i>Media Relations for Missouri Libraries Workshop</i>	7	8 <i>Media Relations for Missouri Libraries Workshop</i>	9
		11	12	13	14 <i>Valentine's Day</i>	15 <i>Library Trustee Academy</i>	16 <i>Library Trustee Academy</i>
		18	19	20	21	22 <i>Washington's Birthday Library Skills Institute</i>	23
	24	25	26	27	28		
			<i>Purim</i>				



Kansas City Public Library, 1930s branch

March 2002

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	"Never judge a cover by its book." —Fran Lebowitz			Women's History Month			<i>Read Across America</i>
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	National Conference on Family Literacy (through 3/5)						
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
			Public Library Association National Conference				Freedom of Information Day
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				First Day of Spring Poetry in Missouri Public Libraries Conference			
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5,110,765 (91 percent) of Missourians have direct access to public libraries, which citizens support through taxes or which receive funding from their home cities. The other 9 percent of Missourians (484,446) have no access to a tax-supported or city-supported public library. Another 46,090 Missourians (0.6 percent of the total population) live in towns where a non-tax library is located.



The Library Center, Springfield-Greene County Library

April 2002

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<p>“The library is an important place for all of us, and a vital institution in American life, providing an open door and equal access in every community.”—Bill Gates</p>		1	2 <i>International Children’s Book Day</i>	3	4	5	6
	7 <i>Daylight Saving Time Begins</i>	8	9	10 <i>Literacy Leap II</i>	11 <i>Literacy Leap II</i>	12 <i>Literacy Leap II</i>	13
	14 <i>Missouri Assoc. of School Librarians Spring Conference (through 4/16) Natl. Library Week</i>	15 <i>Young People’s Poetry Week</i>	16 <i>Young People’s Poetry Week</i>	17 <i>Young People’s Poetry Week</i>	18 <i>Young People’s Poetry Week</i>	19 <i>Young People’s Poetry Week</i>	20 <i>Wolfner Advisory Council Annual Meeting Young People’s Poetry Week</i>
	21 <i>Young People’s Poetry Week</i>	22	23 <i>World Book & Copyright Day</i>	24	25	26 <i>Arbor Day</i>	27
	28 <i>National Conference on Librarians Serving Blind and Physically Handicapped Individuals (through 5/2)</i>	29	30		<i>School Library Media Month</i>	<i>National Poetry Month</i>	



Sedalia Public Library

May 2002

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	Get Caught Reading Month	National Book Month		<i>St. Louis Storytelling Festival</i>	<i>St. Louis Storytelling Festival</i>	<i>Book Expo America St. Louis Storytelling Festival</i>	<i>Book Expo America St. Louis Storytelling Festival</i>
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	<i>Book Expo America Reading is Fun Week (through 5/11)</i>		<i>National Library Legislative Day</i>				
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
						<i>Medical Library Association Annual Conference</i>	<i>Armed Forces Day</i>
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Missouri's 99 academic libraries serve the instructional and research needs of faculty and students at public universities, colleges, junior colleges, and in private academic institutions across the state.		Memorial Day (Observed)					<i>"A room without books is like a body without a soul." —Cicero</i>



Blind persons receiving white canes at St. Louis Public Library, 1931

June 2002

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					Missouri Public Library Directors Meeting	Missouri Public Library Directors Meeting	Special Libraries Association Annual Conference
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					American Library Association Annual Conference (through 6/19)	Flag Day	
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Father's Day					First Day of Summer	
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"Reading makes immigrants of us all. It takes us away from home, but, most important, it finds homes for us everywhere."
—Hazel Rochman

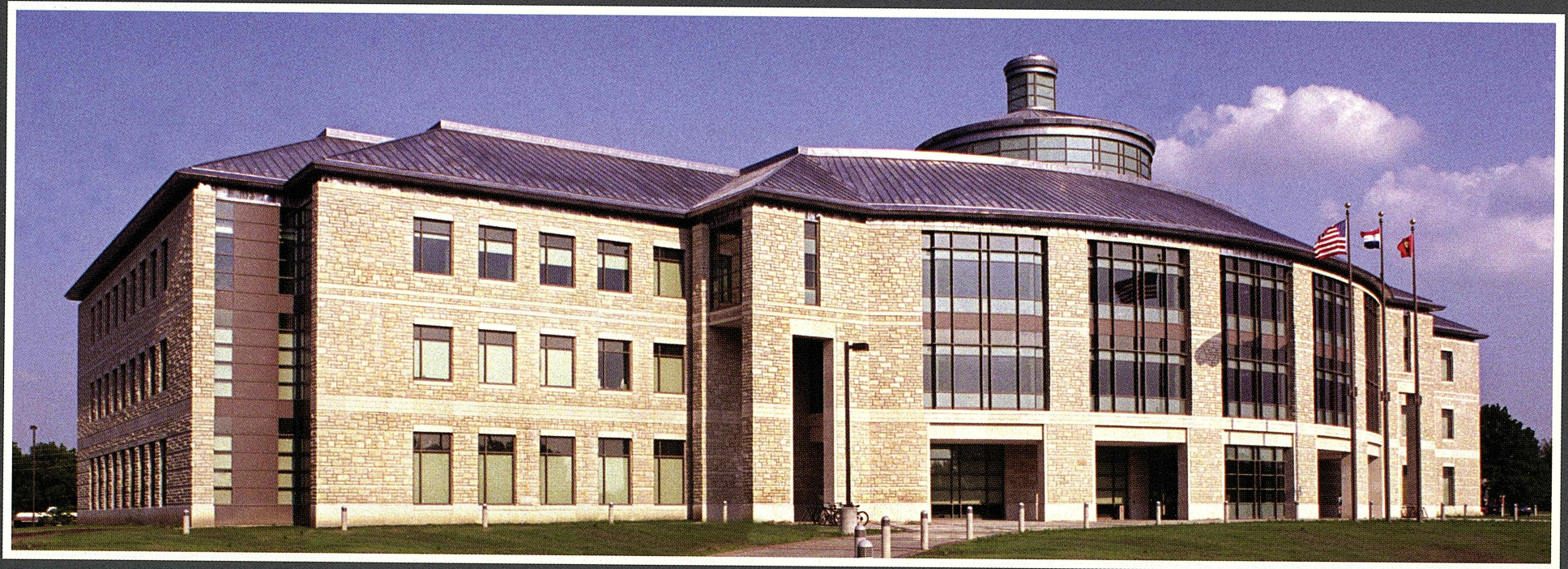


Maryville Public Library renovation

July 2002

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<p>The Missouri Census Data Center's website received 3,296,480 hits in FY01. Its users include state and local governments, regional planning commissions, academic researchers, libraries, businesses, and students.</p>		1	2	3	4	5	6
			National Literacy Day				
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							American Association of Law Libraries Annual Conference (through 7/24)
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	28	29	30	31			"I do not know how to abstain from reading."—Samuel Pepys

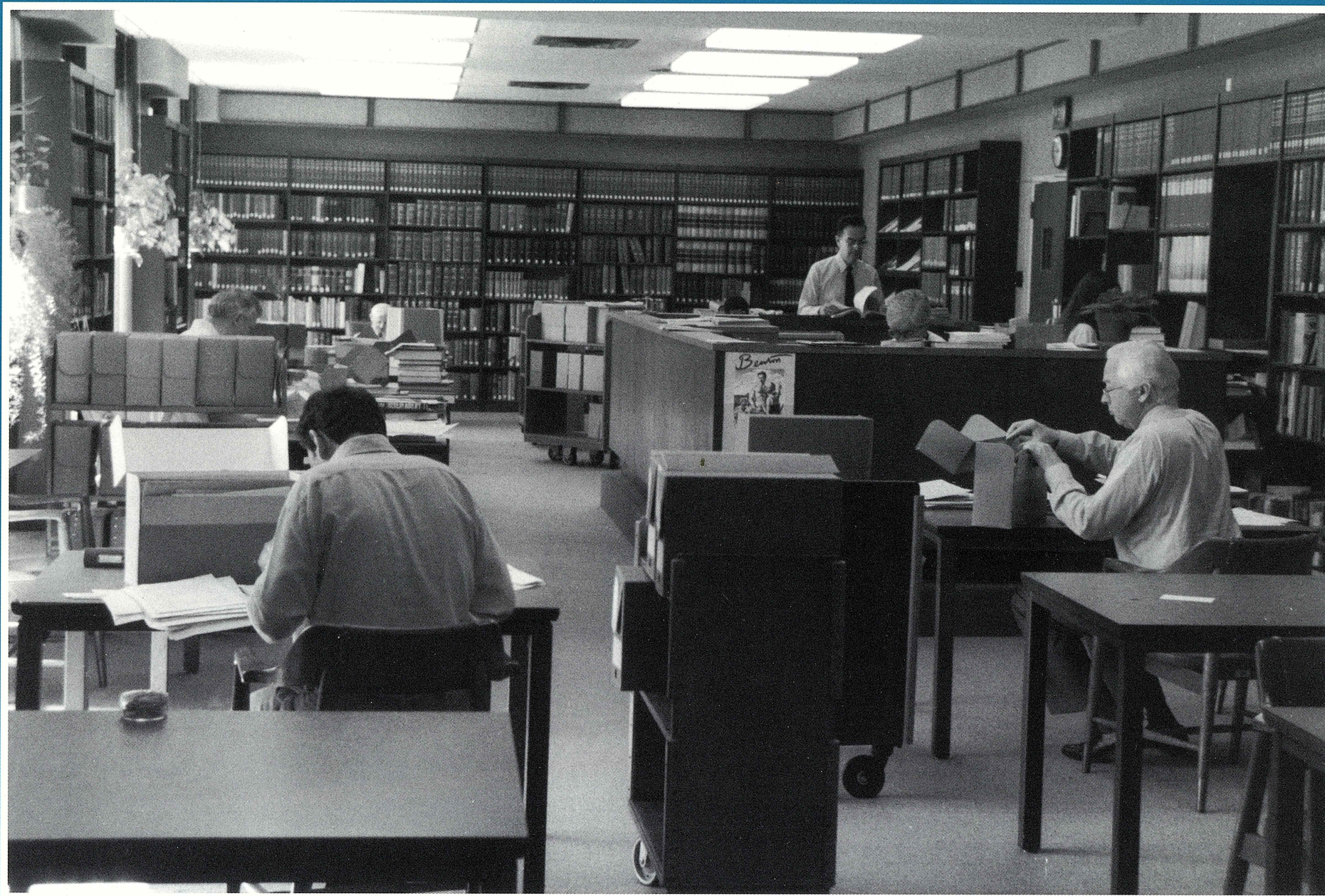


James C. Kirkpatrick Library, Central Missouri State University, Warrensburg

August 2002

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Notes	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>"Without books we might be tempted to believe that our civilization was born yesterday—or when the latest news-magazine went to press. The very omnipresence of books leads us to underestimate their power and influence." —Daniel Boorstin</p>					1 <i>First U.S. Census 1790</i>	2	3
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	11	12 <i>Library Skills Institute</i>	13	14	15	16	17
	18 <i>International Federation of Library Associations & Institutions General Conference</i>	19	20	21	22	23	24
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Courtesy of Harry S Truman Library

Historian and author David McCullough (right, foreground) in the Truman Library Research Room, Independence

September 2002

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Notes	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<i>International Literacy Day</i>							
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<i>Hispanic Heritage Month (ends Oct. 15)</i>							<i>Banned Books Week</i>
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	28
<i>Banned Books Week</i>	<i>First Day of Autumn</i> <i>Banned Books Week</i>	<i>Banned Books Week</i>	<i>Banned Books Week</i>	<i>Banned Books Week</i>	<i>Banned Books Week</i>	<i>Banned Books Week</i>	<i>Banned Books Week</i>
29	30						
<i>The Missouri Center for the Book's extensive website averages 10,000 hits per month. The site offers information about more than 700 Missouri authors, 200 Missouri bookstores, and Missouri publishers, literary organizations, and literary journals.</i>				<i>Library Card Sign-up Month</i>			<i>"Never put off till tomorrow the book you can read today." —Holbrook Jackson</i>



St. Louis Public Library, Kingshighway Branch

October 2002

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			1	2 <i>Missouri Library Association Annual Conference (through 10/4)</i>	3	4	5
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	13 <i>Teen Read Week</i>	14 <i>Columbus Day (Observed) Teen Read Week</i>	15 <i>Teen Read Week</i>	16 <i>Teen Read Week</i>	17 <i>Teen Read Week</i>	18 <i>Teen Read Week</i>	19 <i>Teen Read Week</i>
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	27 <i>Daylight Saving Time Ends</i>	28	29	30	31		

"Books are the windows through which the soul looks out. A home without books is like a room without windows."
—Henry Ward Beecher



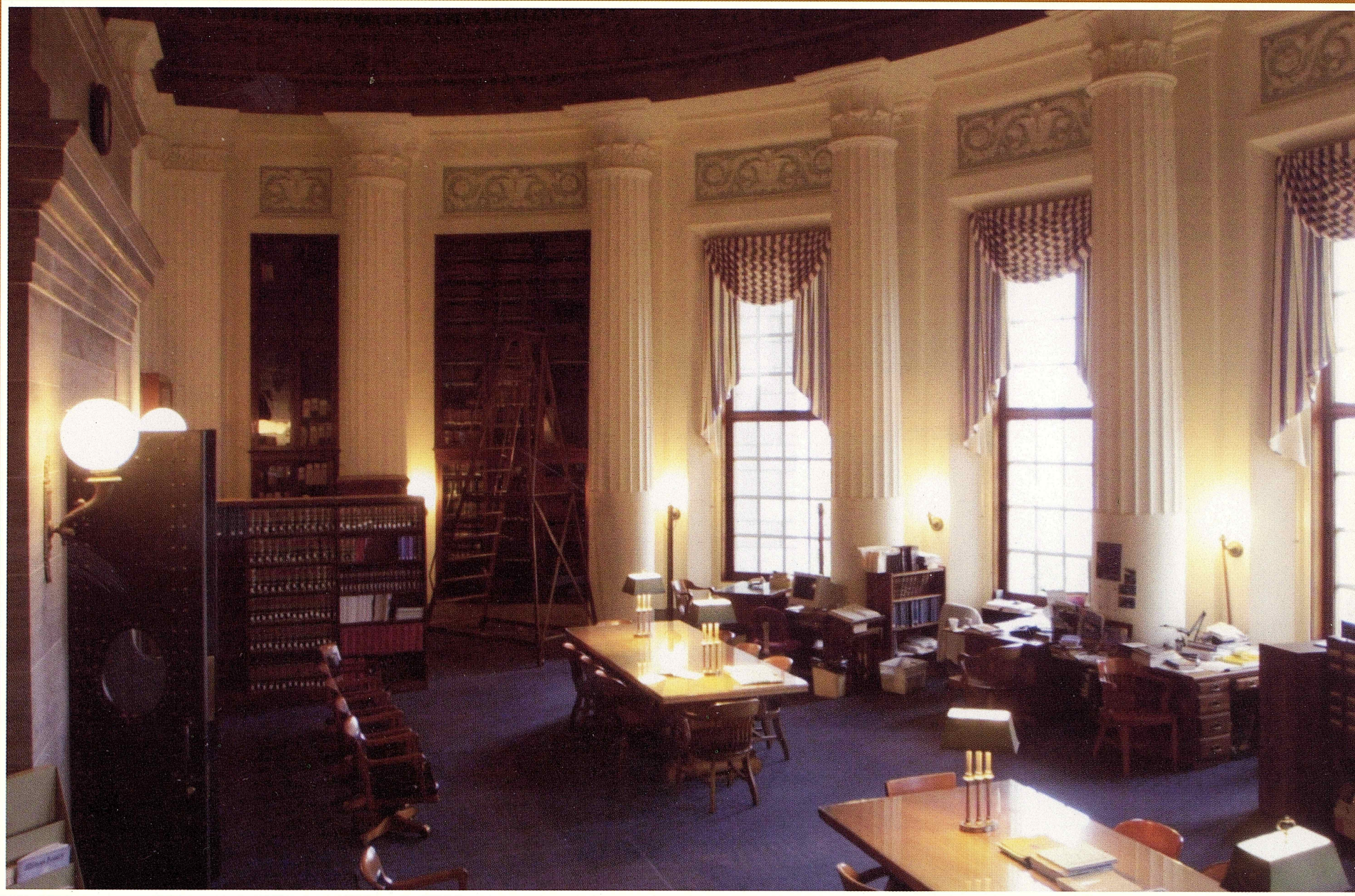
Missouri Library Commission bookmobile, c. 1940s

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<p><i>"The opening of a free, public library . . . is a most important event in the history of any town."</i> —James Russell Lowell</p>						1	2
						<i>National Family Literacy Day</i>	
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<p><i>The Missouri Authors Collection at the State Library houses almost 1,000 books—all donated by authors.</i></p>		<i>National Children's Book Week</i>	<i>National Children's Book Week</i>	<i>National Children's Book Week</i>	<i>National Children's Book Week</i>	<i>National Children's Book Week</i>	<i>National Children's Book Week</i>
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Legislative Library, Missouri State Capitol, Jefferson City

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	1 <i>First Day of Advent</i>	2	3	4	5 <i>Missouri Public Library Directors Meeting</i>	6 <i>Ramadan Ends Eid al-Fitr Missouri Public Library Directors Meeting</i>	7
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21 <i>First Day of Winter</i>
	22	23	24	25	26 <i>First Day of Kwanzaa</i>	27	28
<i>"The sole substitute for an experience which we have not ourselves lived through is art and literature." —Alexander Solzhenitsyn</i>	29	30	31				

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Dear Fellow Missourians:

I am pleased to present the 2002 Missouri State Library Calendar and Annual Report. The Missouri State Library takes great pride in working with local and regional libraries to provide their patrons with quality resources, advice and materials. My staff and I are committed to continuing and strengthening this long-standing relationship in the years ahead.

Inside this calendar you will see photographs depicting all types of Missouri libraries, both historical and contemporary. Meetings and special events sponsored by the Missouri State Library and national library organizations are noted on the appropriate date for your convenience. The annual report provides detailed information and updates on projects undertaken by the library and a breakdown of funding sources provided by federal and state government.

It is an honor to serve the people of Missouri, and your concerns are important to us. I invite you to contact our office at 573-751-2379 if you have any questions or suggestions regarding our services.

Sincerely,



Matt Blunt
Secretary of State



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